

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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18AG186

NRHP Eligible: ☒

[Justification](#)

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II ☒

Phase III

Project Justification:

In February of 1990, the Maryland Geological Survey, Division of Archeology performed a Phase I survey at the request of the Maryland State Highway Administration in several possible relocation corridors for US 220 in Allegany County, MD. Six archeological sites, an artifact scatter, and an isolated find were identified. The Evitts Creek I site (18AG186) is one of two archeological sites that were recommended for Phase II testing as a result of the SHA project.

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Project Objectives:

- Define the vertical and horizontal extent of the sites.
- Determine the integrity of the sites.
- Interpret cultural affiliations, chronological span, and, if possible, site function of the sites.
- Determine the significance of the sites within a local and regional framework.
- Assess the significance of the sites in terms of National Register criteria (35 CRF 60.0).
- Extract soil and charcoal samples from subsurface features for ancillary studies.

Research Potential:

The archeological deposits at Site 18AG186 occur primarily within the plowzone, and the density of cultural material within the plowzone is extremely sparse. Given the potential for the formation of spurious artifact clusters from plowing, the active erosional setting of the site, the limited presence of subplowzone artifacts, and the absence of features, it is unlikely that additional research at Site 18AG186 would yield significant information regarding culture history or intrasite spatial organization. Continued excavation of the site would most likely result in redundant information, and would not add to our understanding of prehistory in the region.